

**Cuyahoga Valley National Park
Spring 2013 Schedule of Events
Chronological Order**

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Friday, March 1

A Fugitive's Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad

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Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series Concert: *Ryan Shupe & the RubberBand*

RubberBand is a perfect name for Ryan Shupe and his five-man band of amazing musicians from Salt Lake City. When the band comes together, their collective talent is explosive and undeniable. It is a breath of fresh air, with an organic approach to performing an eclectic mix of several acoustic musical genres, leaning heaviest on country and bluegrass. This series is sponsored by 89.7 (WKSU), Cable 9 Television, Courtyard by Marriott of Akron/Stow, and the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation. Single concert admission: \$17 adults, \$12 Conservancy members, \$5 children ages 3 -12. General seating. Advance sales available until 3 p.m. on Friday by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concert begin at 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 2

CVSR Regular Excursion

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Spring Fever

View the beauty of CVNP as the spring landscape starts to unfold. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m.

Volunteer Orientation

Want to volunteer in your national park? Attend this orientation to learn about the NPS, CVNP, the Conservancy and other park partners, and volunteer opportunities. To register, reply up to three business days before the class to 330-657-2299 or volunteer@forcvnp.org. 10 a.m. - noon

Shearing Days

Visit a Countryside Initiative farm to watch a sheep-shearing demonstration. Fee: \$5. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Volunteer Opportunity: Operation Restoration

Native plants need our help! For years our native plants and trees have lost space, nutrients, water, and sunlight to invasive plants. Join park staff to learn how CVNP is removing these and restoring our wild areas. Help prepare seedlings for the Cuyahoga Valley's native plant nursery! 2 - 4 p.m. For details and to register, visit www.nps.gov/cuva/supportyourpark/volunteer-activities.htm or call 330-657-2299.

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Off the Beaten Path hike: Boston Run, Part 1

Hike 2 - 3 miles up Boston Run from Peninsula and return to look at the stream's mouth. Be prepared for offtrail, in-water conditions. Please leave dogs at home. Peninsula Depot Visitor Center, 9 - 11 a.m.

Shearing Days

Visit a Countryside Initiative farm to watch a sheep-shearing demonstration. Fee: \$5. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Monday, March 4

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Countryside U: Local Food Akron Mixers

Interested in food and farming? Join us for these social gatherings at a local restaurant. Crave, 7 p.m. To register call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

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Thursday, March 7

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Amphibians on the Move

Each spring, hundreds of forest salamanders migrate to temporary pools to breed, remaining for only a few days. Join Cleveland Metroparks Naturalist Kelly McGinnis and NPS Park Ranger Paul Motts for a two-part program. Part I will introduce the amphibians of the Cuyahoga Valley. Participants registering for Part I will be placed on the amphibian hot line and notified during the peak migration for Part II, an evening hike to a vernal breeding pool. Brecksville Nature Center, 7 - 8:30 p.m. To register call 440-526-1012.

Friday, March 8

Taste of Tusc

Get an early start to your St. Patrick's Day celebration! Come and taste foods, wines, and beers of the Tuscarawas Valley. Fee. Warther Museum, 5 - 9 p.m. Tickets go on sale February 1. For more information call 330-374-5657 or visit www.ohioeriecanal.org.

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CVSR Beer-Tasting Excursion: A Taste of Red Ales and Stouts

See what's "brewing" in the Cuyahoga Valley aboard CVSR while tasting five choice beers plus appetizers. Commemorative glass included. Reservations required. Ages 21 and older. Fees: \$47 to \$82. Rockside Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit www.CVSR.com.

Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series Concert: *The Makem & Spain Brothers*

The Makem & Spain Brothers are song collectors in the spirit of their forefathers, preserving old Irish folk songs and introducing a new generation to this rich musical history. With strong male vocals blending in boisterous sing-alongs and touching ballads, this band educates, illuminates, and entertains with songs imbued with the timeless qualities of folk classics. This series is sponsored by 89.7 (WKSU), Cable 9 Television, Courtyard by Marriott of Akron/Stow, and the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation. Single concert admission: \$17 adults, \$12 Conservancy members, \$5 children ages 3 -12. General seating. Advance sales available until 3 p.m. on Friday for that weekend's show by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concert begin at 8 p.m.

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Spring Training Hike

1.5 miles along the Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Lambing Days

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Countryside Winter Farmers' Market at Old Trail School

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CVSR Sunday Matinee: The Great Flood of 1913

On March 26, 1913, the *Akron Beacon Journal* headline read, "Worst Flood in Ohio History...a calamity which can only be compared to the death, destruction, horrors, and devastation of war has overtaken the state of Ohio." Join us to learn about this historic flood and the lives it changed. Fee: \$12 per person ages 3 and older. To register visit www.CVSR.com. Rockside Station, 11 a.m.

Cuyahoga Animals: Skunk Soiree

Join Park Ranger Rebecca Jones Macko to meet a fragrant resident of the Cuyahoga Valley. Learn some of the lore and stories about this aromatic animal. Ledges Shelter, 2 - 3 p.m.

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Cuyahoga Valley House Concert Series: Ed Caner

During the past 16 years, violinist/fiddler Ed Caner has performed as a sideman for over 50 major acts. Now Ed invites different guest musicians to perform with him each month. Admission: \$8 general public, \$6 Conservancy members. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 p.m. Seating is limited. The facility is not wheelchair accessible. On concert days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations.

Monday, March 11

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Rockin' the Vineyard

Live solo and duo musicians play a variety of styles from week to week. Free with purchase of wine or food. Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m. For more information call 330-929-8057 or visit www.sarahsvineyardwinery.com.

Thursday, March 14

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Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads dancers through each dance while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Park Ranger Rebecca Jones Macko will give a Contra Conversation tonight that explores the history of the dance. Guest callers will be featured in May. Comfortable clothing and shoes are recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Friday, March 15

CVSR Wine-Tasting Express: A Taste of Wines Across the USA

Enjoy a leisurely ride through the beautiful Cuyahoga Valley aboard CVSR while tasting five choice wines plus appetizers. Commemorative glass included. Reservations required. Ages 21 and older. Fees: \$57 to \$92. Rockside Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit www.CVSR.com.

Saturday, March 16

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Bird Watching: Cozy Hideouts

Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar as we search for migrating birds such as golden-crowned kinglets, red-breasted nuthatches, and eastern bluebirds along the 2.75-mile Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Flooding Boston

Explore stories of Boston and the devastating Flood of 1913 during this 2-mile hike along the roadside and off trail. Boston Store Visitor Center, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Lambing Days

Visit a Countryside Initiative farm to see lambs, ducklings, chicks, and bunnies. Fee: \$5. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 9 - 11 a.m. Follow news of lamb arrivals on Facebook and Twitter. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Maple Sugar Festival & Pancake Breakfast

Discover the ancient process of maple sugar production, a tradition that began with American Indians before the time of Jonathan Hale. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org. For added fun, ride the Maple Sugar Express to this event. Fee: \$22 adults, \$17 children ages 3 and older. Rockside Station 11 a.m. To register visit www.CVSR.com.

Sunday, March 17

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Hike Aboard!

Climb aboard Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad for a one-way ride followed by a challenging 5.6-mile hike back to our cars. Fee: \$3 per hiker. Boston Mills Station, 12:20 p.m.

Lambing Days

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Music by Nature Concert Series: Gideon Whitehead

Presented in partnership with the Cleveland Classical Guitar Society, this concert features Gideon Whitehead's specialty, Russian music. Gideon has won numerous international guitar festivals and national composition competitions. Fee: \$10. For tickets call 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Happy Days Lodge, 3 p.m. Reception to follow.

Monday, March 18

Countryside U: Exploring the Small Farm Dream

This four-session course will help determine whether farming is right for you. Fee: \$125; \$175 two-person team. Boston Store Visitor Center, 6 - 9 p.m. To register call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Tuesday, March 19

Countryside U: Local Food Swaps,

Bring your homemade goodies to swap, trade, or barter! For more information and location, contact Erin Molnar at 330-657-2542 ext. 226 or emolnar@cvcountryside.org. 6 - 9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20

Rockin' the Vineyard

Live solo and duo musicians play a variety of styles from week to week. Free with purchase of wine or food. Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m. For more information call 330-929-8057 or visit www.sarahsvineyardwinery.com.

Thursday, March 21

CVPS Lecture: David Haas: Underwater Photography

David Haas has explored the ocean floor for more than four decades. He will bring some of his underwater gear for his presentation and share how he creates his beautiful images. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

Friday, March 22

Dinner in the Valley: Feast Before the Flood

The evening begins with a visit by costumed historical characters. Afterward, Chef Larkin Rogers explores local foods of the early 1900s. Fee: \$34 adults, \$7 children ages 5 - 12 (includes dinner, dessert, and Lyceum Lecture). Reservations will be taken through March 18. Call 330-657-2796 ext. 121. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m.

Lyceum Series Lecture: Trudy E. Bell: The Great Easter 1913 Flood

The monumental flood of 1913 was the worst natural disaster to befall Ohio. Although damaged itself, Cleveland was a first responder during the first critical week when outside help could not get through. This presentation includes rarely seen images. Promotional support provided by the Summit County

Historical Society. Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 3 - 12. Advance sales are available by calling 330-657-2909. General seating. Happy Days Lodge, 8 p.m. (special start time).

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Bird Watching: Cuyahoga Waterfowl

The Cuyahoga Valley is a prime corridor for waterfowl and other early migrating birds. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts to discover what spring birds have arrived at the Beaver Marsh. Ira Trailhead, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Spring Training Hike

2.2 miles on the Ledges Trail. Ledges Shelter, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Countryside Winter Farmers' Market at Old Trail School

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Junior Ranger, Jr.: Water WOW! (Ages 4 - 6)

Come discover the magical wonders of water. We'll explore why water is not only fun, but important and powerful. Be prepared for a hike to visit a stream up close. Boots are recommended. Spring programs are free. A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children. Location given upon registration; 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Flood of 1913 Exhibit Begins

It started raining on this date one hundred years ago. Every river and creek swelled over its banks, leading to the worst natural disaster in Ohio's history. This opening-day exhibit tells the story of the flood through historic imagery, artifacts, and photographs. Free. Sippo Lake Park/Exploration Gateway, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information visit www.starkparks.com.

Cabin Fever Tours

This is a great day to stroll through the Village of Peninsula, celebrating the start of spring! To learn about other Cabin Fever Tour activities from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., contact 330-657-2788 or visit www.explorepenninsula.net.

Maple Sugar Festival & Pancake Breakfast

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Soup's On, Waters Are Rising!

This year our popular event returns with a Flood of 1913 flavor! Join us for a large selection of homemade soups. After lunch, enjoy a special slideshow about the Flood of 1913 and museum tours. Fee. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information, visit www.peninsulahistory.org.

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CVSR Easter Bunny Express

You'll never believe what the Easter Groundhog has been up to in the past few months! Join CVSR and CVNP for our annual Easter Bunny Express. Enjoy a puppet show, crafts, and an Easter egg hunt. Fee: \$25 adults, \$12 children ages 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. To register visit www.CVSR.com.

Easter Egg Extravaganza

You'll never believe what the Easter Groundhog has been up to in the past few months! Join Park Ranger Pamela Machuga for a puppet show, crafts, and an Easter egg hunt. Fee: \$2. Happy Days Lodge, 3 p.m.

Monday, March 25

Akron History Hike: The Flood of 1913

Metro Parks, Serving Summit County and the Summit County Historical Society commemorate the flood that ended the Ohio & Erie Canal Era with this hike from Lock 4 to Lock 1, with a brief stop at the historic Richard Howe House. Lock 3, 11:30 a.m. For more information call 330-865-8065 or visit www.summitmetroparks.org.

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Tuesday, March 26

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Full Moon Hike

2.25-mile hike to the Beaver Marsh
along the easy Towpath Trail. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 7 - 9 p.m.

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Mustill Store Opening Day

Help us celebrate the 2013 Mustill Store season! Burgers and dogs on the grill, live music on the porch, historic games on the lawn, and more! Fee for lunch. Mustill Store, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information call 330-374-5625 or visit www.cascadelocks.org.

Greenfield Berry Farm CSA Open House,

Find out how you can receive farm fresh, sustainably grown produce each week during the growing season. Enjoy a free tour of the farm and sample some of our tasty recipes. For more information contact Daniel Greenfield at 330-657-2924 or visit greenfieldberryfarm@hotmail.com. Greenfield Berry Farm, 1 p.m.

Sunday, March 31

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Friday, April 5

Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Program Overnight Begins

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A Fugitive's Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad

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Bird Watching: Meet Mr. Timberdoodle

If weather conditions are right, you may see male woodcocks (aka timberdoodles) "sky dancing" 300 feet in the air. Observe this unusual mating spectacle with Park Ranger Paul Motts. Wear warm, dark clothing and bring a small flashlight. NPS Park Headquarters, 7:30 - 9 p.m.

Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series Concert: *Mountain Heart*

Mountain Heart has fearlessly revolutionized the way acoustic and bluegrass music can be presented and played. Since the group's creation in 1999, their musical virtuosity, unmatched energy, and keen sense of entertainment dynamics have helped them forge a unique sound and stage show. The band or its members have won or been nominated for GRAMMYs, Academy of Country Music Awards, Country Music Association Awards, and several International Bluegrass Music Association Awards. *Mountain Heart* has appeared on the revered stage of the Grand Ole Opry more than 125 times. This series is sponsored by 89.7 (WKSU), Cable 9 Television, Courtyard by Marriott of Akron/Stow, and the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation. Admission for this event is \$22 adults, \$17 Conservancy members, and \$7.50 children ages 3 - 12. General seating. Advance sales available until 3 p.m. on Friday by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concert begins at 8 p.m.

Saturday, April 6

CVSR Regular Excursion

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Spring Fever

View the beauty of CVNP as the spring landscape starts to unfold. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m.

CVSR Bike Aboard! Service begins

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Spring Training Hike

3.5 miles on the Boston Run Trail. Happy Days Lodge (north parking lot), 9 - 10:30 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market at Old Trail School

Experience two producers-only farmers' markets presented by the Countryside Conservancy. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org. 9 a.m. - noon.

Junior Ranger: Discovering Vernal Pools (Ages 7 -12)

We'll take a difficult 1.5-mile hike into the forest to discover the secret life of a vernal pool and understand how these wetlands are an essential habitat for certain wildlife. Spring programs are free. A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children. Location given upon registration; 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Sunday, April 7

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Monday, April 8

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, April 9

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Wednesday, April 10

A Fugitive's Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad

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Rockin' the Vineyard

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Thursday, April 11

A Fugitive's Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad

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CVPS Lecture: Ian Adams: Self-Publishing and eBooks

Environmental photographer Ian Adams will discuss how to self-publish printed books and eBooks, including software selection and online services. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m., unless otherwise stated. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads dancers through each dance while the band *Hu\$money* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Guest callers will be featured in May. Comfortable clothing and shoes are recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Friday, April 12

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Summit County Healthy Steps Kick-Off

Step your way to a healthier lifestyle! Participants are eligible to receive prizes based on their average steps per day. Free. Lock 3, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Preregistration begins February 4. For more information call 330-374-5657 or visit www.ohioeriecanal.org.

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Lyceum Series Film Premier: A Tree Grows in Washington

The national park and Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens present the premier of *A Tree Grows in Washington: The John Seiberling Story*. Created by independent filmmaker Paul Jacoway, this documentary explores Seiberling's life, character, and success as a congressman. Much of the film is told in Seiberling's own words, which convey his passion for Washington politics and for the environment. Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 3 - 12. Advance sales are available by calling 330-657-2909. General seating. Happy Days Lodge, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m.

CVSR Beer-Tasting Excursion: A Taste of Hoppy Brews

See what's "brewing" in the Cuyahoga Valley aboard CVSR while tasting five choice beers plus appetizers. Commemorative glass included. Reservations required. Ages 21 and older. Fees: \$47 to \$82. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit www.CVSR.com.

Saturday, April 13

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Spring Fever

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Orienteering for Beginners

Learn to navigate with a map and compass. Hiking shoes and own compass recommended. Fee: \$15 per individual or group. Kendall Lake Shelter, 11:30 a.m. For more information visit www.neooc.com.

Greenfield Berry Farm CSA Open House

Find out how you can receive farm fresh, sustainably grown produce each week during the growing season. Enjoy a free tour of the farm and sample some of our tasty recipes. For more information contact Daniel Greenfield at 330-657-2924 or visit greenfieldberryfarm@hotmail.com. Greenfield Berry Farm, 1 p.m.

Cuyahoga Animals: Emerging Eagles

Enjoy hands-on activities followed by a hike along the Towpath Trail in search of nesting bald eagles. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.

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Sunday, April 14

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Spring Fever

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1:50 p.m.

Off the Beaten Path Hike: Boston Run, Part 2

This 3-mile follow-up hike travels along the headwaters of Boston Run. Be prepared for offtrail, in-water conditions. Please leave dogs at home. Happy Days Lodge (north parking lot), 9 - 11 a.m.

Pancakes in the Park

Join us for a delicious pancake breakfast featuring locally sourced products. Afterward, hike the Stanford Trail with volunteer naturalists and tour the renovated Stanford House. Fee: \$8 adults, \$6 children ages 12 and under. Boston Mills Ski Resort (parking for free shuttle service to Stanford House), 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

CVSR Sunday Matinee: The Great Train Robbery

Take a trip into the Wild West as we explore the advent of the railroad and the new generation of outlaws it spawned.. Fee: \$12 per person ages 3 and older. To register visit www.CVSR.com. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m.

Orienteering for All

Try out your land navigation knowledge on courses for beginners and experts. Bring a whistle and a compass. Map fee: \$8 for non-members. Kendall Lake Shelter, 11:30 a.m. For more information visit www.neooc.com.

Monday, April 15

Canalway Questing begins

From Monday, April 15, through Friday, November 15, come find more than 30 adventures—called quests—in the Ohio & Erie Canalway! Put on your sleuthing hat and follow rhyming clues and a curious map to each hidden quest box. Along the way, discover the area's treasures—the natural and cultural gems of the Canalway. For more information and to download quests, visit ohioanderiecanalway.com and search under Activities for Questing. Quests are also available at visitor centers.

Tuesday, April 16

Countryside U: Local Food Swaps,

Bring your homemade goodies to swap, trade, or barter! For more information and location, contact Erin Molnar at 330-657-2542 ext. 226 or emolnar@cvcountryside.org. 6 - 9 p.m.

Wednesday, April 17

Dinner in the Valley: Springtime in Spain

Chef Larkin Rogers takes us on a culinary trip to Spain, where we'll discover tasty tapas and paella and sample wines of the region. Hines Hill Conference Center, 6 p.m. For pricing and reservations call 330-657-2909 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

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Thursday, April 18

CVPS Photo Road Trip: Springtime in Hocking Hills with Ian Adams Begins

Led by Ohio environmental photographer Ian Adams, this tour provides an exciting opportunity to experience the most rugged scenery in the Buckeye State. Fee: \$395 member/\$460 non-member. For more information visit www.cvps.org. To register call 330-657-2909 ext. 100.

Friday, April 19

Lyceum Series Lecture: Payge McMahon: The Grand to Grand Ultra

This unique event for extreme athletes is the first and only self-supported stage footrace in North America. It starts on the north rim of the Grand Canyon and finishes seven days and 167 miles later on a summit in Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. Author Payge McMahon shares her experience of the inaugural 2012 run and tips on how to tackle your own adventure bucket list. Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 3 - 12. Advance sales are available by calling 330-657-2909. General seating. Happy Days Lodge, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m.

CVSR Wine-Tasting Express: A Taste of Red and White Blends

Enjoy a leisurely ride through the beautiful Cuyahoga Valley aboard CVSR while tasting five choice wines plus appetizers. Commemorative glass included. Reservations required. Ages 21 and older. Fees: \$57 to \$92. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit www.CVSR.com.

Saturday, April 20

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National Junior Ranger Day Programs

Join Cuyahoga Valley National Park rangers in celebrating Junior Rangers! Attend a free program in the morning followed by more afternoon fun. Enjoy cake and ice cream as we unveil the 2013 Junior Ranger badge design. Create your piece for the new Junior Ranger wall tapestry and do other activities. Bring your collection of Junior Ranger badges and patches to show off and win prizes. Ledges Shelter, noon - 2:30 p.m. The swearing-in ceremony is at 1 p.m. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger: Bring on the Bugs

Explore an upland forest with Park Ranger Mike Kosmos in search of bugs that call this community home. Spring programs are free. Free. Ages, 7 - 12. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Junior Ranger, Jr.: Amazing Air

What is all around us, but something we can't see? We'll investigate things that fly and the amazing properties of air through hands-on exploration, play, and art. Free. Ages 4 - 6. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Bird Watching: Early Nesters

In April, returning songbirds establish their breeding territories along the Cuyahoga River. Walk the Towpath Trail with Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar in search of early nesting yellow-throated warblers. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8 - 10 a.m.

Spring Training Hike

5 miles on the Plateau Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 9 - 11 a.m.

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Blessing of the Sheep

Visit a Countryside Initiative farm to see the blessing of the sheep with bagpipes accompaniment and a border collie herding demonstration. Fee: \$10, \$5 children under 12. The Spicy Lamb Farm, noon - 2 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

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Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series Concer: *Comas*

Comas is a band firmly rooted in Irish music, but with enough space to allow for original compositions. Fiddler Aidan Burke plucks out a pure sound guaranteed to touch any lover of Celtic music. Aidan's dexterity is matched by the awesome talents of Isaac Alderson (flutes, uilleann pipes), Philip Masure (guitar), and Jackie Moran (percussion). This series is sponsored by 89.7 (WKSU), Cable 9 Television, Courtyard by Marriott of Akron/Stow, and the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation. Single concert admission: \$17 adults, \$12 Conservancy members, \$5 children ages 3 -12. General seating. Advance sales available until 3 p.m. on Friday by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concert begins at 8 p.m.

Sunday, April 21

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Hike Aboard!

Climb aboard Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad for a one-way ride followed by a challenging 7-mile hike back to our cars. Fee: \$3 per hiker. Brecksville Station, 11:15 a.m.

Earth Day Activity: Volunteer to Restore Native Habitat

Help restore CVNP's native habitat by planting trees. Location to be given upon registration. 1 - 4 p.m. This is a family-friendly project for ages 7 and older. For more information and to register, call 330-657-2299 or volunteer@forcvnp.org.

Cuyahoga Valley House Concert Series: Ed Caner

During the past 16 years, violinist/fiddler Ed Caner has performed as a sideman for over 50 major acts. Now Ed invites different guest musicians to perform with him each month. Admission: \$8 general public, \$6 Conservancy members. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 p.m. Seating is limited. The facility is not wheelchair accessible. On concert days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations.

Monday, April 22

Earth Day Activity: Recycled Rocks!

Join a park ranger on Earth Day to enjoy a spring evening while exploring the "recycled" rocks along the Ledges Trail. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes on this 2.2-mile, moderately paced hike. Ledges Shelter, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 23

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, April 24

Rockin' the Vineyard

Live solo and duo musicians play a variety of styles from week to week. Free with purchase of wine or food. Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m. For more information call 330-929-8057 or visit www.sarahsvineyardwinery.com.

Thursday, April 25

Civil War Lecture Series: Intrepid Mariners: The USS Kearsarge & CSS Alabama

In commemoration of the Civil War sesquicentennial, listen to experts detail historical aspects of this American conflict. Free. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 7 p.m. For more information visit www.peninsulahistory.org.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads dancers

through each dance while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Guest callers will be featured in May. Comfortable clothing and shoes are recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Full Moon Hike

2.5-mile hike on the easy Towpath
Trail. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Friday, April 26

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Girl Scout Weekend Begins

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Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series Concert: *The Pines*

This Indie-roots band weaves together musical styles to create a unique sound that is hip and haunting. Strong writers, singers, and instrumentalists, David Huckfelt and Benson Tamsey complement each other, causing audiences and critics alike to tout them as a powerful young force in American roots music. This series is sponsored by 89.7 (WKSU), Cable 9 Television, Courtyard by Marriott of Akron/Stow, and the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation. Single concert admission: \$17 adults, \$12 Conservancy members, \$5 children ages 3 -12. General seating. Advance sales available until 3 p.m. by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concert begin at 8 p.m.

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Earth Day All Week Activity: Electronic Recycling for Members

Conservancy members, celebrate Earth Day by recycling your unwanted, old, and broken electronic equipment. Bring your membership card and a maximum of 10 items. Not a member yet? Sign up online today or in person at the event. To view a list of accepted items, visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Spring Marshlands Hike

Explore how the Beaver Marsh is coming alive as spring arrives. Join a park ranger for a 1.5-mile walk along the Towpath Trail. Ira Trailhead. 4 - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 28

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Monday, April 29

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, April 30

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, May 1

Early Evening Hike

Take a 3.5-mile hike along the moderate Cross Country and easy Lake trails to discover changing landscapes. Kendall Lake Shelter, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Lecture at the Spicy Lamb

Guest experts present various farm topics. Free. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 7 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Thursday, May 2

Volunteer Orientation

Want to volunteer in your national park? Attend this orientation to learn about the NPS, CVNP, the Conservancy and other park partners, and volunteer opportunities. To register, reply up to three business days before the class to 330-657-2299 or volunteer@forcvnp.org. 7 - 9 p.m.

Friday, May 3

Dinner in the Valley: Cinco de Mayo Our Way

Our tongue-in-cheek take on this holiday is a study in mayo— mayonnaise, that is. Chef Larkin Rogers de-mystifies this versatile sauce by presenting it in many flavors and styles. Stanford House, 6 p.m. For pricing and reservations call 330-657-2909 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

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Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series Concert: *MilkDrive*

Jazz-grass band *MilkDrive* features award-winning instrumentalists Brian Beken on fiddle and lead vocals, Noah Jeffries on guitar and harmony vocals, Dennis Ludiker on mandolin and harmony vocals, and Matt Mefford on double bass. Fueled equally by tradition and innovation, *MilkDrive* delivers a distinctive acoustic experience that crosses genres, geographies, and generations. This series is sponsored by 89.7 (WKSU), Cable 9 Television, Courtyard by Marriott of Akron/Stow, and the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation. Single concert admission: \$17 adults, \$12 Conservancy members, \$5 children ages 3 -12. General seating. Advance sales available until 3 p.m. by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concert begins at 8 p.m.

Saturday, May 4

CVSR Regular Excursions

The following three excursions run on Saturdays and Sundays, May 4 through May 26, and Monday, May 27, including the "Day Out With Thomas"TM weekends Fee: \$12 per person ages 3 and older (includes the *Voices of the Valley* audio tour). For details and to register, visit www.CVSR.com.

Canal Explorer

Ride to the Canal Visitor Center to learn about the Ohio & Erie Canal. Following a 40-minute layover, climb back aboard for the return trip. Peninsula Depot, 12:25 p.m.

Peninsula Explorer

Ride the rails, hike the Towpath Trail, and enjoy lunch or shopping in the historic Village of Peninsula. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m.

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Bird Watching: Returning Songbirds

The songbird migration The songbird migration that began in February now nears a frenzied peak. Everywhere birds are singing and showing signs of courtship. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar on a 2.5- mile walk to discover which migrating warblers are present in the hardwood forests and old fields of Oak Hill. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Spring Training Hike

6 miles along the Lake, Cross Country, and Salt Run trails. Kendall Lake Shelter, 9 a.m. - noon.

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy various activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Sunday, May 5**CVSR Regular Excursions**

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Canal Explorer

Ride to the Canal Visitor Center to learn about the Ohio & Erie Canal. Following a 40-minute layover, climb back aboard for the return trip. Peninsula Depot, 12:25 p.m.

Peninsula Explorer

Ride the rails, hike the Towpath Trail, and enjoy lunch or shopping in the historic Village of Peninsula. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m.

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Hike Aboard!

Climb aboard Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad for a one-way ride followed by a challenging 5-mile hike back to our cars. Fee: \$3 per hiker. Peninsula Depot, 12:15 p.m.

Summer Camp Open House

There are great opportunities for youth entering grades 4 - 11 to explore the environment and the arts through CVNP overnight summer camps. For youth ages 6 - 11, we offer Junior Ranger Day Camp. Check out our 2013 lineup (www.conservancyforcvnp.org), tour our facilities, and meet our friendly camp staff. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 1 - 3 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2796 ext. 100.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy various activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Canal Stories Hike

Step back in time with a park ranger and costumed volunteers for a demonstration of how canal boats passed through Lock 38 and a 2-mile, story-filled canal history hike to the Tinkers Creek aqueduct. Canal Visitor Center, 2 - 4 p.m.

Monday, May 6**Countryside U: Local Food Akron Mixers**

Interested in food and farming? Join us for these social gatherings at a local restaurant. Crave, 7 p.m. To register call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Tuesday, May 7

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, May 8**Lecture at the Spicy Lamb**

Guest experts present various farm topics. Free. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 7 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Thursday, May 9**Volunteer Opportunity: Remove Invasive Plants**

Help park staff restore CVNP's ecosystem. For details and to register, visit www.nps.gov/cuva/supportyourpark/volunteer-activities.htm or call 330-657-2299. Locations given upon registration; 1 - 4 p.m.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads dancers through each dance while the band *Hu\$money* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Guest callers will be featured in May. Comfortable clothing and shoes are recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Friday, May 10**Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Program**

Do you have a passion for the natural world? This program involves an initial 40 hours of combined classroom and field-based instruction and 40 hours of volunteer service, plus additional hours to maintain annual certification. The program begins with an overnight at Stanford House on April 5 and continues for six sessions. Fee: \$250. For more information and to register, contact Connie Dages at 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or e-mail cdages@forcvnp.org.

CVSR Wine-Tasting Express: A Taste of Wonderful Whites

Enjoy a leisurely ride through the beautiful Cuyahoga Valley aboard CVSR while tasting five choice wines plus appetizers. Commemorative glass included. Reservations required. Ages 21 and older. Fees: \$57 to \$92. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit www.CVSR.com.

Saturday, May 11**CVSR Regular Excursions**

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Peninsula Explorer

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Countryside Winter Farmers’ Market at Howe Meadow

Experience two producers-only farmers’ markets presented by the Countryside Conservancy. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org. 9 a.m. - noon.

Junior Ranger, Jr.: Dirty Rocks (Ages 4 - 6)

What’s all the fuss about dirt? Come make mud pies and search for the creatures that call the forest floor home. Get your hands dirty as we uncover the truth about soil. Spring programs are free. A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children. Location given upon registration; 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Cuyahoga Animals: Herons Are Home

Join Park Ranger Mike Kosmos as we seek out the largest heron in North America, the great blue. Starting in late winter, pairs gather to raise chicks in clusters of treetop nests. We’ll take an easy hike to view the Bath Road Heronry. Botzum Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.

Hang Out at Hunt: International Migratory Bird Day

Drop by to celebrate migratory bird conservation through games, crafts, and more! Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Sunday, May 12

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CVSR Mother's Day Special

Honor Mom on her special day by taking a leisurely train ride through the Cuyahoga Valley. Moms ride free with two paying family members. Fee: \$12 per person ages 3 and older. See page 4 for descriptions. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m. Peninsula Depot, 12:25 p.m. To register visit www.CVSR.com.

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy various activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Spring Marshlands Hike

Explore how the Beaver Marsh is coming alive as spring arrives. Join a park ranger for a 1.5-mile walk along the Towpath Trail. Ira Trailhead. 8 - 9:30 p.m.

Monday, May 13

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, May 14

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, May 15

Early Evening Hike

Take a 1.5-mile hike along the easy Towpath Trail to the Beaver Marsh for wildlife watching. Ira Trailhead. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Lecture at the Spicy Lamb

Guest experts present various farm topics. Free. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 7 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Thursday, May 16

CVPS Lecture: Stuart Pearl: Seeing Light, Patterns, and Composition

Landscape photographer Stuart Pearl photographs places that others may ignore. Once he's found a unique area, he explores it from a variety of angles and vantage points. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

Friday, May 17

Girl Scout Weekend Begins

Your Girl Scouts can make new friends while working toward the Get Moving! Journey Badge. All troops must meet the required adult-to-scout ratio, and chaperones must be trained for an overnight. Ask your council for details. For ages 8 - 12. Fee: \$95 scouts, \$50 chaperones. This includes programming, meals, snacks, and lodging. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, Friday 6 p.m. - Sunday 1 p.m. To register, call 330-657-2796 ext. 100.

Lyceum Lecture: Speaker to be announced

Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 3 - 12. Advance sales are available by calling 330-657-2909.

General seating. Happy Days Lodge, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m.

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RiverDay Activities:**Volunteer Opportunities**

Help plant trees and remove trash within the Cuyahoga River watershed. Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, sturdy boots, and work gloves. Family friendly projects for ages 7 and older. Location given upon registration. 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 3 p.m. For more information and to register, contact the volunteer office at 330-657-2299 or volunteer@forcvnp.org.

Water Quality Testing

Stop by to chat with a ranger about how we test and monitor the Cuyahoga River. Boston Store Visitor Center, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Junior Ranger: Rambling Along the River (ages 7 – 12)

Become a water quality scientist on RiverDay. Take a walk along the Towpath Trail, put on goggles and gloves, and test the Cuyahoga’s water. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

National Kids to Parks Day

Pledge to take the special children in your life to a local park. CVNP invites you to ride Thomas the Tank Engine™, participate in RiverDay, and try Canalway Questing. For more information and to register, visit www.kidstoparks.org.

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Bird Watching: Annual Spring Bird Census

Birders of all experience levels are invited to participate in this annual spring outing to compile vital population records used in natural resource studies. Census participants will be sent out in small groups to record different species and count numbers of individuals. Bring binoculars and a field guide. NPS Park Headquarters, 7:30 a.m.

Spring Training Hike

7.5 miles on the Buckeye and Valley trails. NPS Park Headquarters, 8:30 a.m. - noon.

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Orienteering: Woods Race Woods Race

Challenge your land navigation skills in the woods on courses for beginners and experts. Bring a whistle and a compass. Map fee: \$8 for non-members. Ledges Shelter, 11:30 a.m. For more information visit www.neooc.com.

Hang Out at Hunt/Questing Drop-in

Stop by to chat with park rangers and Quest Crew volunteers about the Canalway Questing program. Pick up quest clues and carve your own signature stamp. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Spring Taste of Lamb Dinner

Enjoy a special dinner with a variety of lamb dishes, wine, and live music. Fee: \$35. Reservations required. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 6 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

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Spring Boomerang Fling

Try this aboriginal flying device with Dave Boehm from the Cleveland Boomerang School. All skills levels are welcome. Boomerangs provided or bring your own. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

What a Gioia!

Come before the house concert for a leisurely stroll amid the beautiful Hines Hill architecture and learn about the Gioia family who once lived here. Hines Hill Conference Center, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Cuyahoga Valley House Concert Series: Ed Caner

During the past 16 years, violinist/fiddler Ed Caner has performed as a sideman for over 50 major acts. Now Ed invites different guest musicians to perform with him each month. Admission: \$8 general public, \$6 Conservancy members. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 p.m. Seating is limited. The facility is not wheelchair accessible. On concert days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations.

Monday, May 20

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, May 21**Countryside U: Local Food Swaps,**

Bring your homemade goodies to swap, trade, or barter! For more information and location, contact Erin Molnar at 330-657-2542 ext. 226 or emolnar@cvcountryside.org. 6 - 9 p.m.

Wednesday, May 22**Lecture at the Spicy Lamb**

Guest experts present various farm topics. Free. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 7 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Thursday, May 23

Civil War Lecture Series: Intrepid Mariners: His Promised Land: John Parker and the Underground Railroad

In commemoration of the Civil War sesquicentennial, listen to experts detail historical aspects of this American conflict. Free. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 7 p.m. For more information visit www.peninsulahistory.org.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads dancers through each dance while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Guest callers will be featured in May. Comfortable clothing and shoes are recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Friday, May 24

CVSR Day Out With Thomas™

Enjoy a 35-minute train ride with Thomas the Tank Engine™. Meet Sir Topham Hatt and enjoy clowns, magicians, live music, storytelling, and other fun activities for young children. Advance purchase is recommended. Boston Mill Station. For details and to register, visit www.CVSR.com.

Saturday, May 25

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Bird Watching: High Places

The dense hemlock forests surrounding high sandstone ledges provide a cool micro-environment ideal for nesting birds typically found north of Ohio. Park Ranger Paul Motts leads the search for hermit thrush, blue-headed vireo, and other unusual birds often seen along the Ledges trails. Ledges Shelter (parking lot), 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Countryside Winter Farmers' Market at Howe Meadow

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Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy various activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Full Moon Hike

1.5-mile hike on the easy Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead. 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 26**CVSR Regular Excursions**

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Canal Explorer

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Open Tent

Join park rangers and volunteers for a camping version of the drop-in open house—the OPEN TENT! Stop by to chat about park camping, equipment, and Leave No Trace principles and to learn a skill or two. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy various activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Monday, May 27**CVSR Memorial Day Special**

Visit your national park by rail on this day of reflection. All tickets on regular excursions are just \$10 per person! For details and to register, visit www.CVSR.com.

Canal Explorer

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Tuesday, May 28

Countryside U: Poultry Processing

This class is for people who are already raising chickens or are serious about raising chickens. Participants will process three chickens to take home. Not for the faint of heart! Fee: \$150. Brunty Farms, 6 p.m. o register call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Wednesday, May 29

Early Evening Hike

Take a 4-mile hike along the moderate Riding Run Trail to enjoy a spring evening. Everett Road Covered Bridge,
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Lecture at the Spicy Lamb

Guest experts present various farm topics. Free. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 7 p.m. For more information and directions, visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Thursday, May 30

Countryside Winter Farmers' Market at Highland Square

Experience two producers-only farmers' markets presented by the Countryside Conservancy. For more information call For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org. 4 -7 p.m.

Friday, May 31

No events scheduled.

Programs Locations

Boston Mill Station - intersection of Boston Mills and Riverview roads, Peninsula 44264

Boston Mills Ski Resort - 7100 Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Boston Store Visitor Center - 1550 Boston Mills Road, east of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Boston Township School House - 1775 Main Street, northeast corner of SR 303 and Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Botzum Trailhead / Station - 2928 Riverview Road, south of Bath Road, Akron 44313

Brandywine Falls - 8176 Brandywine Road, south of Highland Road, north of Twinsburg Road, Sagamore Hills 44067

Brecksville Nature Center - Chippewa Creek Drive, south of SR 82, Brecksville 44141

Brecksville Station - at Station Road Bridge Trailhead, Brecksville 44141

Brunty Farms - 2470 Martin Road, Akron 44333

Canal Visitor Center - 7104 Canal Road, at the Hillside Road intersection, Valley View 44125

Crave - 57 East Market Street, Akron 44308

Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center - 3675 Oak Hill Road, south of Major Road, Peninsula 44264

Everett Road Covered Bridge - 2370 Everett Road, 0.5 mile west of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

G.A.R. Hall Museum - 1785 Main Street (SR 303), at the Riverview Road intersection, Peninsula 44264

Greenfield Berry Farm - 2485 Major Road, Peninsula 44264

Hale Farm & Village - 2686 Oak Hill Road, north of Ira Road, Bath 44210

Happy Days Lodge - 500 West Streetsboro Road (SR 303), 1 mile west of SR 8, Peninsula 44264

Highland Square Market - intersection of Conger Avenue and West Market Street, Akron 44303

Hines Hill Conference Center - 1403 West Hines Hill Road, Peninsula 44264

Horseshoe Pond Trailhead - 2075 Major Road, 1 mile west of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Howe Meadow - 4040 Riverview Road, 4 miles south of SR 303, Peninsula 44264

Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center - 2045 Bolanz Road, between Riverview and Akron Peninsula roads, Peninsula 44264

Ira Trailhead - 3801 Riverview Road, north of Ira Road, Peninsula 44264

Kendall Lake Shelter - Truxell / Kendall Park Road, 2 miles west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

Ledges Shelter / Trailhead - Truxell / Kendall Park Road, 1 mile west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

Lock 3 - 200 South Main Street, Akron 44308

Lock 29 Overflow Lot / Trailhead - 1650 Mill Street, Peninsula 44264

M.D. Garage - adjacent to Boston Store Visitor Center, Peninsula 44264

Mustill Store - within Cascade Locks Park, off West North Street, just west of Howard Street, Akron 44304

NPS Park Headquarters - 15610 Vaughn Road, at the Riverview Road intersection, Brecksville 44141

Oak Hill Trailhead - 3901 Oak Hill Road, 1.3 miles south of Major Road, Peninsula 44264

Octagon Shelter - Truxell / Kendall Park Road, 1.5 miles west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

Old Trail School - 2315 Ira Road, south of Oak Hill Road, Bath 44210

Peninsula Depot Visitor Center - 1630 Mill Street, off Akron Peninsula Road, north of SR 303, Peninsula 44264

Rockside Station - 7900 Old Rockside Road, off Canal Road, one block north of Rockside Road, Independence 44131

Sarah's Vineyard - 1204 West Steels Corners Road, Cuyahoga Falls 44223

Sippo Lake Park / Exploration Gateway – 5712 12th Street Northwest, Canton 44708

The Spicy Lamb Farm - 6560 Akron Peninsula Road, accessible only from Boston Mills Road, Peninsula 44264

Stanford House / Campground / Trailhead - 6093 Stanford Road, Peninsula 44264

Station Road Bridge Trailhead - 13513 Riverview Road, 1/8 mile south of SR 82, Brecksville 44141

Warther Museum - 331 Karl Avenue, Dover 44622

Most park facilities and the Towpath Trail are wheelchair accessible. For specific information about meeting your special needs, call 330-657-2752.

Visitor Centers

Boston Store Visitor Center exhibits tell the story of canal boat building in the valley. Daily, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Canal Visitor Center focuses on life along the canal and human history in the valley. Saturdays and Sundays in March and April, Wednesdays through Sundays in May, and Monday, May 27 (Memorial Day), 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center has kid-friendly exhibits and general park information. Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Peninsula Depot Visitor Center is an information/orientation facility developed to help visitors explore CVNP, local attractions, and the Ohio & Erie Canalway. Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.